IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1 to 3, 60, 62, 65 to 69, 75, 77 to 79, 85 and 87 to 89 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A displaying method, of acquiring information related to a selected network device of a plurality of network devices, and displaying acquired information of the selected network device, said method comprising:

a device window display step of displaying a device window allocated to the selected network device, the device window having a first sheet as an initial display sheet, a second sheet, and a designation portion for designating between the first sheet and the second sheet;

a first partial information display step of, when the device window is displayed at said device window display step, acquiring first partial information related to the selected network device via a network, ~~displaying a device window which is a window allocated to the selected network device, the device window having a first sheet, a second sheet and a designation portion for switching between the first sheet and the second sheet~~, and displaying the acquired first partial information on the first sheet of the device window ~~as an initial sheet~~, wherein the first partial information is part of information related to the selected network device; and

a second partial information display step of, in a case where a user designates the second sheet using the designation portion, acquiring~~, in response to a designation of the designation portion by a user for display of the second sheet~~, second partial information~~, which is additional to and different from the first information~~, from the selected network device via the network, and displaying the acquired second partial information on the second sheet, wherein the

second partial information is part of information related to the selected network device and is different from the first partial information.

2. (Currently Amended) A network device control apparatus for acquiring information related to a selected network device of a plurality of network devices, and displaying acquired information of the selected network device, comprising:

a device window display unit for displaying a device window allocated to the selected network device, the device window having a first sheet as an initial display sheet, a second sheet, and a designation portion for designating between the first sheet and the second sheet;

a first partial information display unit for, when the device window is displayed by said device window display unit, acquiring first partial information related to the selected network device via a network, ~~displaying a device window which is a window allocated to the selected network device, the device window having a first sheet, a second sheet and a designation portion for switching between the first sheet and the second sheet;~~ and displaying the acquired first partial information on the first sheet of the device window ~~as an initial sheet~~, wherein the first partial information is part of information related to the selected network device; and

a second partial information display unit for, in a case where a user designates the second sheet using the designation portion, acquiring, ~~in response to a designation of the designation portion by a user for display of the second sheet,~~ second partial information, ~~which is additional to and different from the first information,~~ from the selected network device via the network, and displaying the acquired second partial information on the second sheet, wherein the

second partial information is part of information related to the selected network device and is different from the first partial information.

3. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium storing a program for implementing an acquiring method of acquiring information related to a selected network device of a plurality of network devices, and a displaying method of displaying acquired information, the program comprising:

program code for a device window display step of displaying a device window allocated to the selected network device, the device window having a first sheet as an initial display sheet, a second sheet, and a designation portion for designating between the first sheet and the second sheet;

program code for a first partial information display step of, when the device window is displayed at said device window display step, acquiring first partial information related to the selected network device via a network, ~~displaying a device window which is a window allocated to the selected network device, the device window having a first sheet, a second sheet and a designation portion for switching between the first sheet and the second sheet,~~ and displaying the acquired first partial information on the first sheet of the device window ~~as an initial sheet~~, wherein the first partial information is part of information related to the selected network device; and

program code for a second partial information display step of, in a case where a user designates the second sheet using the designation portion, acquiring~~, in response to a designation of the designation portion by a user for display of the second sheet,~~ second partial

information~~, which is additional to and different from the first information,~~ from the selected network device via the network, and displaying the acquired second partial information on the second sheet, wherein the second partial information is part of information related to the selected network device and is different from the first partial information.

4. to 59. (Canceled).

60. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 1, wherein said first partial information display step includes forming a list of information required for display of the first sheet ~~initial screen~~, acquiring listed information, and storing the acquired first partial information in a memory.

61. (Canceled).

62. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 1, wherein said second partial information display step includes forming a list of information required for display of the second ~~screen~~ sheet, acquiring listed information, and storing the acquired second partial information in a memory.

63. (Canceled).

64. (Previously Presented) A displaying method according to Claim 1, further

comprising a determination step of determining whether information is to be acquired from the selected network device or a memory storing information acquired from the selected network device.

65. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 64, wherein said first partial information display step or said second partial information display step includes acquiring information from the selected network device, if it is determined that information is to be acquired from the selected network device, or acquiring information from the memory, if it is determined that information is to be acquired from the memory.

66. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 1, wherein said second partial information display step is executed if a tab, as the designation portion, is clicked on a device window.

67. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 1, wherein the ~~initial screen~~ first sheet is a screen that displays a status of the selected network device, a screen that displays a list of jobs, a screen that displays a manufacturer, a product name, an installation location, a product version, or a toner cartridge model, or a screen that displays information about a network interface board or information about a network protocol.

68. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 1, wherein the second ~~screen~~ sheet is a screen that displays a status of the selected network device, a screen that displays a list of jobs, a screen that displays a manufacturer, a product name, an installation

location, a product version, or a toner cartridge model, or a screen that displays information about a network interface board or information about a network protocol.

69. (Currently Amended) A displaying method according to Claim 1, further comprising a search step of searching for network devices connected to a network and displaying a list of the network devices, wherein said fist partial information display step is executed when one of the network devices on the list is selected by a user.

70. to 73. (Canceled).

74. (Previously Presented) An apparatus according to Claim 2, further comprising a determination unit for determining whether information is to be acquired from the selected network device or a memory storing information acquired from the selected network device.

75. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 74, wherein said first partial information display unit or said second partial information display unit acquires information from the selected network device, if it is determined that information is to be acquired from the selected network device, or acquires information from the memory, if it is determined that information is to be acquired from the memory.

76. (Canceled).

77. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein the ~~initial screen~~ first sheet is a screen that displays a status of the selected network device, a screen that displays a list of jobs, a screen that displays a manufacturer, a product name, an installation location, a product version, or a toner cartridge model, or a screen that displays information about a network interface board or information about a network protocol.

78. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 2, wherein the second ~~screen~~ sheet is a screen that displays status of the selected network device, a screen that displays a list of jobs, a screen that displays a manufacturer, a product name, an installation location, a product version, or a toner cartridge model, or a screen that displays information about a network interface board or information about a network protocol.

79. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to Claim 2, further comprising:

a search unit for searching for network devices connected to a network; and

a display for displaying a list of the network devices,

wherein said first partial information display unit executes acquisition of the first information when one of the listed network devices is selected by a user.

80. to 83. (Canceled).

84. (Previously Presented) A recording medium according to Claim 3, further comprising program code for a determination step of determining whether information is to be

acquired from the selected network device or a memory storing information acquired from the selected network device.

85. (Currently Amended) A recording medium according to Claim 84, wherein the first partial information display step or the second partial information display step includes acquiring information from the selected network device, if it is determined that information is to be acquired from the selected network device, or acquiring information from the memory, if it is determined that information is to be acquired from the memory.

86. (Canceled).

87. (Currently Amended) A recording medium according to Claim 3, wherein the ~~initial screen~~ first sheet is a screen that displays a status of the selected network device, a screen that displays a list of jobs, a screen that displays a manufacturer, a product name, an installation location, a product version, or a toner cartridge model, or a screen that displays information about a network interface board or information about a network protocol.

88. (Currently Amended) A recording medium according to Claim 3, wherein the second ~~screen~~ sheet is a screen that displays a status of the selected network device, a screen that displays a list of jobs, a screen that displays a manufacturer, a product name, an installation location, a product version, or a toner cartridge model, or a screen that displays information about a network interface board or information about a network protocol.

89. (Currently Amended) A recording medium according to Claim 3, further comprising:

program code for a search step of searching for network devices connected to a network; and

program code for a display step of displaying a list of the network devices,

wherein said first partial information ~~first~~ display step is executed when one of the listed network devices is selected by a user.